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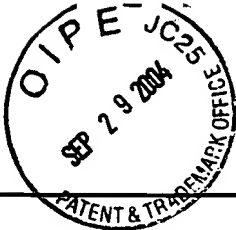
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In response to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2004, reconsideration of the rejection contained therein is respectfully requested for the reasons which follow.

Claims 1-10 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being "unpatentable over Welker et al, U.S. Patent No. 6,570,546" while claim 11 has been rejected on the same reference "in view of Warren et al, U.S. Patent No. 6,304,300." These rejections are respectfully traversed.

First, applicant reserves the right to "swear behind" the Welker et al patent which was filed only about a month and a half before the present application.

With respect to the merits, although the Welker et al patent does mention a gamma correction engine 38 in the first paragraph of column 6, the gamma correction engine is not described apart from the statement that "[b]ecause the data is still in YUV format, only needing 16 bits per pixel, only 64K bits of memory is necessary for the gamma correction table, rather than the 16M bits that would be necessary for full 32 bit RGP data." Thus, the gamma correction engine 308 of the Welker et al patent employs a gamma correction table as is conventional and is presumably otherwise conventional. Thus, it is not seen that this reference is any more relevant than the Alkesic et al patent on which the previous rejection, now withdrawn, was based.